Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others and each of these attributes can be ascribed to Virgil Sinning, who will be retiring from the South Dakota Department of Agriculture after serving the state for over 29 years; and,

Whereas, Virgil served in the United States Navy for 24 years including a year and a half of active duty; and,

Whereas, In April 1986 to present, Virgil has served the Department of Agriculture as an inspector who is essential to the Department's mission and the front line in protecting producer and consumer interests, inspecting feed, fertilizer, and pesticide storage facilities, and investigated numerous pesticide spills, spray drifts, and fertilizer spills; and,

Whereas, Virgil has been known as the face of the Agriculture Department in Southeast South Dakota for over 25 years and has exhibited the same dedication to outstanding public service in both his military and state career, and he has earned a reputation for fairness and educating the public on regulatory compliance; and,

Whereas, On February 8, 2016, Virgil will retire to spend more time with family; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan on this momentous occasion:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 8, 2016, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his family, friends, and colleagues in offering him best wishes for an enjoyable retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-eighth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State